Alaska Local and Regional Information Workforce Info

Interior Region



The Interior Region consists of the Denali and Fairbanks North Star boroughs and the Southeast Fairbanks and Yukon-Koyukuk census areas.

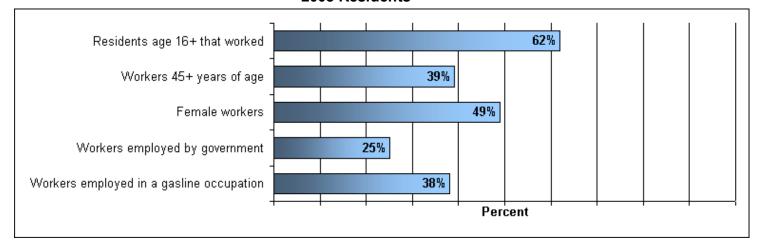
- ◆ The estimated population for 2008 was 104,421, a gain of about 7,004 since the 2000 Census.
- ♦ About 62 percent of the resident population 16+ years old worked in 2008.
- ◆ Trade, Transportation and Utilities was the main industry in 2008, employing 21 percent of the area's workers.
- ♦ More workers were employed as Retail Salespersons than any other occupation.

Please note: There is an important distinction between the local/regional employment data and our "standard" employment series. Most of these data reflect totals for area residents <u>only</u>. Total worker counts may be lower than expected in areas with a large number of nonresident workers. The Alaska Permanent Fund dividend file is used to determine the worker's geographic residence. Only Alaska residents (as defined by PFD application) are included in these totals. Also note that federal employees, the military, and the self-employed are not included in these data.

	Interior Resident	Snapshot (2008)		
Working Ag	Working Age Residents		Wages	
Residents age 16+	71,246	Total wages \$1,520,3		
Resident Worker Characteristics		Resident Workers by Sector		
Total	43,909	Private	32,945	
Male	22,382	,382 State government		
Female	21,501	Local government	5,620	
Age 45+	16,942	Quarterly Number of Resident Workers		
Age 50+	11,864	Peak (2nd) quarter workers	38,923	
		Percent working all 4 quarters	66.8%	
Unemployment		Construction/AGIA Occupation Experience (2004-2008)		
UI Claimants	6,053	Some construction	10,221	
		At least 1 year construction	6,270	
New Hires At least		At least 2 years construction	3,952	
New hires	16,670	Worked in an AGIA occupation	32,728	

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2008 Residents

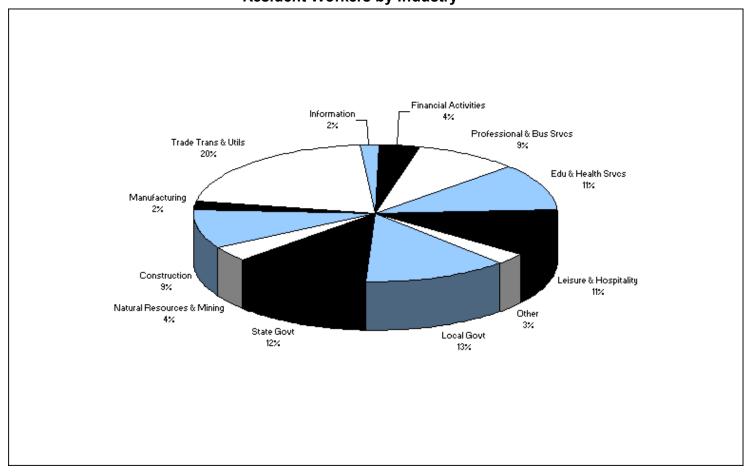


Top Occupations

	Number			
	employed	Percent female	Age 45+	Age 50+
Retail Salespersons	1,659	62.8%	439	312
Cashiers	1,147	70.2%	265	171
Construction Laborers AGIA HOT JOB	1,144	10.2%	320	214
Office Clerks, General AGIA	1,043	87.2%	380	265
Teacher Assistants	935	83.5%	426	305
Office and Administrative Support Workers, All Other AGIA	913	71.2%	270	182
Combined Food Preparation and Serving Workers, Including Fast Food	837	52.8%	67	43
Janitors and Cleaners, Except Maids and Housekeeping Cleaners AGIA	834	46.2%	409	282
Operating Engineers and Other Construction Equipment Operators AGIA HOT JOB	755	7.8%	374	237
Laborers and Freight, Stock, and Material Movers, Hand AGIA	736	12.8%	232	150
Carpenters AGIA HOT JOB	622	2.4%	245	170
Truck Drivers, Heavy and Tractor-Trailer AGIA HOT JOB	594	5.7%	332	240
Maids and Housekeeping Cleaners AGIA	567	83.2%	183	115
Executive Secretaries and Administrative Assistants AGIA HOT JOB	551	90.2%	243	162
Bookkeeping, Accounting, and Auditing Clerks AGIA HOT JOB	542	88.9%	269	178
Maintenance and Repair Workers, General AGIA	501	7.8%	279	204
Plumbers, Pipefitters, and Steamfitters AGIA HOT JOB	487	6.6%	183	98
Waiters and Waitresses	487	83.2%	76	36
Receptionists and Information Clerks AGIA	482	92.5%	141	106
Elementary School Teachers, Except Special Education HOT JOB	474	80.8%	273	200

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Resident Workers by Industry



Workers by Industry

	Number employed	Percent female	Age 45+	Age 50+
Natural Resources and Mining	1,610		604	394
Construction	4,033	13.1%	1,403	917
Manufacturing	841	33.3%	266	168
Trade, Transportation and Utilities	9,127	42.5%	3,163	2,196
Information	751	43.9%	315	203
Financial Activities	1,602	66.8%	486	335
Professional and Business Services	4,006	42.0%	1,576	1,092
Educational and Health Services	4,882	78.9%	2,092	1,496
Leisure and Hospitality	4,769	58.7%	1,128	779
State Government	5,345	51.0%	2,546	1,844
Local Government	5,620	62.1%	2,925	2,108
Other	1,271	51.5%	426	323

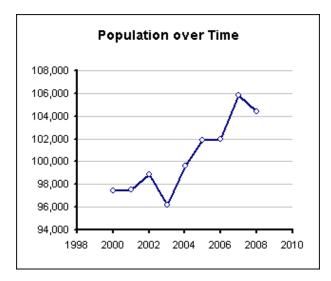
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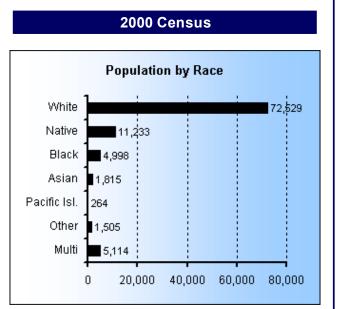
	Recen	t Unemployment Sta	ntistics	
	03/2009	04/2009	05/2009	06/2009
UI Claimants**	3,235	3,123	2,843	2,499
Unemployment Rate (Not seasonally adjusted)	9.4%	8.2%	7.7%	8.2%

^{**}UI claimants are individuals in this area who had an active claim at any time during the month.

Top Employers (ranked by number of workers)

University of AK
Fairbanks North Star School District
State of AK (excludes U of A)
Banner Health System
Fred Meyer Stores Inc
Wal-Mart Associates Inc
Tanana Chiefs Conference
FBKS North Star Borough
Safeway Inc
FBKS Gold Mining Inc





(Note: Racial classification is based on self identification. The "Multi" category consists of those who claim to be members of more than one race. The "Native" category includes Alaska Natives and American Indians.)

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